

In the College Light . . .

Rebel Leader Castro Visits U.S.; Press Analyzes Nation's Reaction

By Joann O'Meara

Americans got a good look at Cuban Premier Fidel Castro when he visited the U.S. two weeks ago. They saw a bearded rebel leader generating enthusiasm and faith in a better future for Cuba; a dashing personality charming his way through government circles.

But did they see a statesman?

America says his techniques, rather, are those of a debater. "When asked [by the press] why he first announced that general elections in Cuba would come after 18 month and then after two years, and now after four years — Castro replied by asking why U. S. occupation forces in Cuba waited for three years before sanctioning elections after the Spanish-American War. A clever play, but he didn't answer the question."

To the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, he denied Communist sympathies, but evaded the issue when asked if he would fire Communists in his government, notes the *Dubuque Witness*.

Speaking to a convention of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, Castro "defended the execution of 'war criminals'. (521 to date.) He evaded questions about his stand for neutrality in the cold war." (*Time*, May 4)

The same convention applauded Castro's defense of a free press, but "back in Cuba, a war crimes court sentenced former Pueblo Columnist Fernando Miranda to ten years' hard labor in the Zapata swamps for calling the Castro rebels 'thieves and bandits'" (*Time*, May 4).

Nevertheless, Castro said the purpose of his visit to the U.S. was to influence favorably public opinion. Did he?

Newsweek states that "everywhere Castro went he was cheered as a combination of George Washington, Billy Graham, and Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey."

"Where winning friends rates high on the scale of admired talents, he won a lot of admiration." (*Time*, May 4)

The only people, apparently, who bore him resentment were a few Cuban exiles (some of whom have lost rela-

tives to Castro's firing squads) but they caused enough commotion to force the State Department to dispatch 200 men to guard the Cuban Premier.

On the whole, Castro was surprised and grateful for his warm reception. "It profoundly changed his thinking about the U.S.," said one of his party members.

It is hard as yet to say what the U.S. thinks of Castro.

But as *Commonweal* notes, "The mere fact of personal integrity and enthusiasm on the part of Dr. Castro will not in itself solve Cuba's problems," notably the economic one.

The magazine further recommends that the U.S. recognize Castro as a "symbol of a force which is welling up all over Latin America and that Cuba's plight is merely part of a widespread Latin American pattern."

Commonweal concludes, "The United States must come to terms with this situation in some better fashion than attempting, intermittently and at arm's length, to get along well with the 'winner.'"



Pentecost Season Inspires Devotion To Holy Spirit, Giver of Knowledge

Each year during May the feast of Pentecost ignites embers in the hearts of earnest Catholics, who in their religious practices may tend to overlook the Holy Spirit.

It is true that at Clarke we begin every Holy Hour by invoking His presence, but like many Catholics we need a reminder that the Holy Spirit has a special mission to us. How often do we advert to Him in private prayer? It seems rather that in our petitions, adorations and thanksgivings we address God exclusively as Creator or Redeemer.

The Church wishes to focus attention on the Holy Spirit to remind us of the importance of His mission. Pentecost is just such a reminder. The descent of the Holy Spirit brought the apostles to the full stature of their vocation. Through His illumination they saw the life of Jesus in its proper place in the history of the Jewish people. They understood its relationship to Sacred Scriptures and its significance as the foundation of God's church on earth. What they had until then perceived only in fragments they were able to view as a whole.

It is on this day that the Holy Spirit conferred the gift of knowledge on the Apostles. Students whose vocation is the quest for knowledge, the search for truth, should not overlook the value of devotion to the Giver of Knowledge, the Holy Spirit.

If we permit Him, the Holy Spirit will come to us on Pentecost Sunday, though not with a rush of wind and parted tongues of fire as He descended upon the Apostles. He will enter our souls quietly, but bringing with Him the treasures of wisdom and love.

America Creates Leisure Problem

Though this may be news to most of us, leisure time is fast becoming a problem in our civilization.

In 1975 there is promise of a four-day working week. Even today the average working person has approximately two thousand hours each year to spend to suit his finances, individual taste and imagination. The economic advancement of modern civilization has given mankind a generous gift of leisure.

Yet it is surprising to note how many people do not know what to do with their free time. This is especially true in America where a utilitarian philosophy continues to hold considerable sway. Socializing in the competitive life of the "organization man" is actually a subtle means of making business contacts. Consequently when a socially striving junior executive reaches retirement age he is incapable of enjoying the company of others solely for the personal satisfaction they can give him. Having devoted all of his leisure time activities to business purposes, he has had little time to acquire the outside interests which could now give him a meaningful life.

Most collegians would laugh at the idea of leisure posing a problem. Concerts, lectures, club events and campus social activities occupy the major portion of their time not spent in the pursuit of higher knowledge.

But even in this group there are some who find it difficult to relax after a week of intensive study, or who become restless and bored during the summer months. Such persons, when selves to make such a choice.

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Part of our lives as college students should be devoted to the discovery of interests of sufficient scope and depth to demand of us a lifelong donation of self. Such interests need not be constructive in terms of substantial products but they must be self-fulfilling.

Personal taste dictates our choice, but each of us has a responsibility to ourselves to make such a choice.

Here's What We Think . . .

Clarkites Recognize Vital Function Of Language In Modern World

By Mary Brigid Powers

Language has always interested people, probably because speech is one of the distinguishing characteristics of their nature. Almost everyone talks, many can read and write, some can listen.

For centuries scholars have watched with interest the structural and verbal changes in the various languages. In our present world, diminished in size by the continued development of transnational facilities, foreign languages have taken on special prominence. What once was considered a distant land is now regarded as a neighbor only a few flight-hours away.

Language has long been recognized as a meeting ground for science and letters. But only recently has public opinion awakened to the fact that in the mastery of a foreign language lies the unique means that can bring us to an understanding of whole cultures and ideologies which, except through this medium, would remain obscure.

This was illustrated to us at Clarke last week when artist David Kwok was on campus. In illustrating Chinese calligraphy as the oriental form of abstract art, Mr. Kwok wrote an old Chinese poem on the piece of newsprint before him.

When asked to translate the poem into English, Mr. Kwok graciously made several attempts, but finally admitted that it was impossible. A literal translation would be unfair to the author, a free translation would destroy the artistic structure which had made it great.

Our legislators admitted the need for further language development on the national level when in 1958 they passed the National Defense Education Act, designed "to insure trained manpower

sufficient quality and quantity to meet the national defense needs of the United States." Under this act, much work is being done to promote oral understanding, speaking, reading, writing, linguistic analysis and knowledge of native culture in various language areas.

At Clarke we have also recognized the prominent role language has come to play. Last year we voted \$1000 of our SLC funds to go toward a language laboratory — in preference to new tennis courts. This year we reaffirmed our position by contributing another \$2000. The laboratory, which will be equipped in the course of the coming year, will house about thirty units (booths) and will cost approximately \$15,000. Its ultimate value, however, cannot be estimated, because this depends on the progress of individual language students and the way in which they use their knowledge.

In present classroom situations, each student has an opportunity to speak for an average of only three minutes per week. The language lab will allow her several hours.

In addition to this major benefit there are many others, equally valuable. The student will be uninhibited in trying her pronunciation since she will be alone in the booth, yet she will have the advantage of being guided by the recorded voices of her teacher and various native speakers. Personal progress of the student can be more tangibly measured, and class time will be freed from remedial work. Language will be learned faster and more completely. The student will leave her language class with a mastery of grammar and pronunciation, but more important, she will be equipped to gain firsthand insight into the thought-life of another people.

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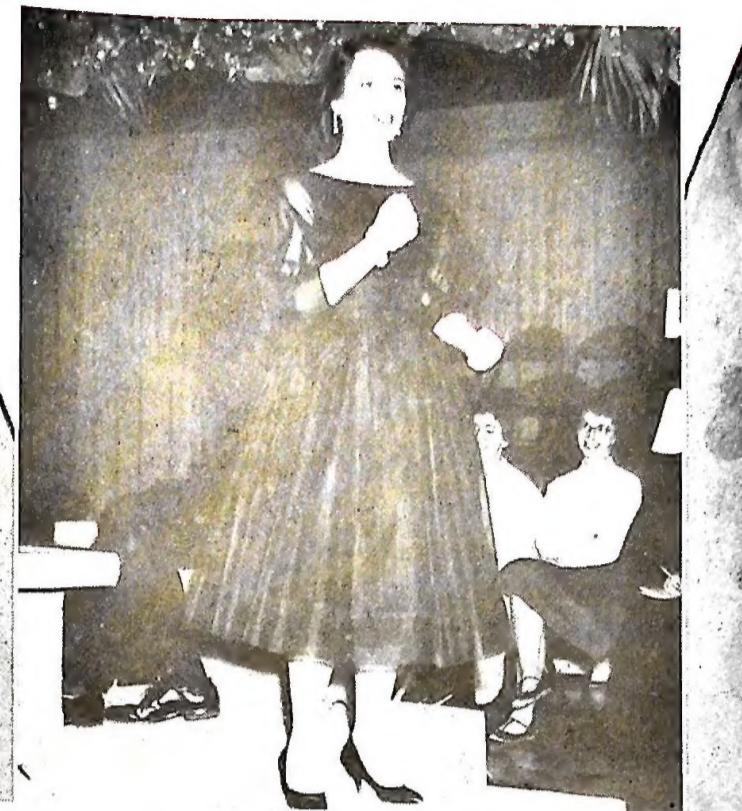
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A MERRY MIXUP between a carnival of thieves and a carnival of leaves lead to unexpected developments in the Art Festival production "Carnival of Thieves." From left to right, top left are Loras sophomore John L. Sullivan, and Clarke drama majors, freshman Jacqueline Jarrett and senior Linda Marcum. All are from Chicago.

TRIBUTE in the arts to a great artist is shown Marian Anderson in poetry by Sister Mary St.

Virginia, BVM, of Clarke's English department and in oils by Mr. Edmund Demers of the art department, lower left. Chairman of the Arts Festival is sophomore Mary Alice Weldon from Des Plaines, Ill., right.

THAT FACE is deplored by Jeanne Miclot, Davenport, upper right, in George Herman's musical adaptation of Jean Anouilh's "Carnival of Thieves."

FLIRTATION in fantasy at "The First Ball" inspired Clarke college ballerinas, left to right, Mary Alice Mayer, Chicago; Ann O'Leary, Manchester; Carol Pearce, Dubuque; Corine Bigolin, Chicago; Denise Purtell, Oak Park, Ill.; Barbara Conley, Chicago; Jeannine Campbell, Ashland, Wis.; Mary Alice Studebaker, Belmond; Geraldine Staehlin, St. Louis, Mo.; and Joan DuBay, Des Moines.

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NYLON IN THE MAKING is shown in this exhibit of creative chemistry being prepared by chemistry major Jody Kordick, Des Moines, second from left, aided by freshmen Sandra Parisi, Middleton, Wis., and Geraldine Staehlin, St. Louis, Mo.

CHINESE ARTIST David Kwok demonstrated the brush techniques used in Chinese painting to fascinated Clarkites April 30 and May 1.

MADLY HATTED Clarke girls will emerge after the annual clothesline show, May 9. Previewing paintings, hats, shoes and purses to be sold are, left to right, Barbara Knapczyk, Chicago; Nancy Gardetto, Milwaukee, Wis.; and Joyce Peters, New Hampton.

A SIMPLE TUNE can be played on the transistorized organ, upper right, constructed by physics students Celine Wolfe, Lost Nation, and Judy Gavin, Dubuque.

NOT-SO-SIMPLE HARMONIES were sung by the Clarke-Loras Chorale in an early spring concert in Terence Donaghoe hall.

Summer Issue of *Labarum* Promises Literary Variety

Variety will set the literary pace in the summer issue of the *Labarum*. Clarkites with varying tastes will find stories, poems, articles and book reviews to their liking.

The lead article will be "And the Walls Come Tumbling Down," by Ruth Ann Buenker, editor of the *Labarum*.

Miss Buenker will discuss old diaries found in Burnage Villa, Dubuque, some of which date from 1864.

Clarkites interested in contemporary affairs will enjoy Janet Gahan's article, "The Survival of Darwin." Miss Gahan, president of the Science Forum, commemorates the 100th anniversary of the publication of *The Origin of Species*.

Golf, Picnic, Mixer End Year For WAA

WAA activities for the month of May include the annual picnic, a golf tournament and a street dance.

May 13 at 4:30 p.m. there will be a picnic for all WAA members at Eagle Point Park. Bernadine Fleury, Judy Kordick and their committees will make the necessary arrangements for this event.

Two WAA activities are scheduled for the following Saturday, May 16. In the morning the golf tournament will be held at the Bunker Hill Municipal Golf Course. Participation is open to all girls who signed up. Barb Conley and Marianne Reynolds are in charge of this tournament.

That evening at 8:30 p.m. all Clarkites and their friends are cordially invited to attend the "cement mixer" in the Mary Josita hall parking lot. Jan Smoluch and Judi Martens, the chairmen, have announced that a combo will provide the music. Refreshments will be served in the Coffee Shop.

OLA Senior Wins BVM Scholarship

First place winner in the National BVM Federation Scholarship competition is Sandra Catherine Muschall of Clinton. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Muschall, Sandra attended Our Lady of Angels Academy in Clinton.

Placing second in the competition is Margaret Mary Voigt of Immaculate high school in Chicago. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gerhard J. Voigt.

Susan Marie Seipp of St. Joseph's academy in Dubuque is the winner of the third place. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norbert H. Seipp.

Parisian School Children Show Paintings at Clarke

Pictures Paris, a circulating exhibit of paintings executed by French students, is on display in Eliza Kelly hall through May 9.

All of the pieces shown were done by students between the ages of 11 and 15 in the Paris public schools.

The media of the pictures include water color, ink, pencil, and engraving, with decorative composition of fabric, tapestry, ceramic and mosaic tile.

The young artists display precise and exact strokes in such works as "The Gleaners," a water color depicting a family working in the fields, and "The Pantheon," a vivid water color of red and orange hues. Among other paintings are "Cavalry Officer," "St. Jacques Tower" and "Chalet Theatre."

Mr. Edouard Morot, cultural counselor and representative of French universities in the United States loaned the exhibit to the college. Joan Lingren, sophomore art major, is chairman of the exhibit.

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Class Votes Decide May Queens, Court

Sodality prefect Margaret Crane will be the queen of the May Coronation ceremony in Sacred Heart Chapel on Sunday, May 17, at 3 p.m.

Her attendants chosen from the senior class are Lina Rae Fidler, Mary Frost, Janet Gahan and Mary Ann Ludwig. The entire student body will join with the seniors to climax the respective class ceremonies.

The juniors have chosen Mary Houlihan as queen, and Sheila Dempsey, Jean Enzler, Carolyn Mraz and Mary Brigid Powers as attendants.

Their shrine is located on campus behind Mary Frances Clarke hall.

Jane Spellmire, sophomore, will crown Our Lady of the Moonlight on the library campus. Her attendants are Judy Kirby, Mary Ann Leffingell, Mary Lou Norton and Fonda Roe.

The freshman court will consist of Kay Doty, queen, and Ann Coffey, Dolores Dooley, Jean Luce and Nancy Murphy, attendants. The grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes is the site of the freshman shrine.

The ceremonies will conclude with Benediction.

Students Rate High At Speech Festival

Clarke students received high ratings at the annual Dubuque Speech Festival, held April 11, at the University of Dubuque.

Carol Linskey received superior rating in folk tale and interpretive readings; Mary Alice Mayer, Jackie Jarrett and Susan Voss, superior in interpretive reading; Jeanne Glenn, superior in extemporaneous speaking; and Donna Balsamo, excellent in radio speaking.

Ann Niemeyer and Pat Lyman participated in a discussion, Connie Kuhl, Jan Smoluch and Jeanne Glenn took part in a debate with Wright Junior College of Chicago, Loras College and University of Dubuque.

The debate team, coached by Mr. Vaughn Gayman, includes Jan Smoluch, Marcia Cox, Virginia Leritz, Connie Kuhl and Jeanne Glenn. They have debated with Shimer College of Mt. Carroll, Ill., and Loras College.

In a recent regional speech meet also held at the University of Dubuque, Carol Linskey and Karen O'Connor received excellent ratings in interpretive reading.

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Iowa's First Lady

Mrs. Herschel Loveless, receives a corsage from SLC president Jeanne McIvor on a recent visit to Clarke. Iowans in the background, from left, are Judy Howerter and Jody Kordick, Des Moines, and Ellen Fox, Osage.

Senior Analyzes Evolution in Action

The centenary of Charles Darwin's book, *The Origin of Species* prompted biology major, Donna Claeys to study evolution in action for her senior project. In executing her project, Miss Claeys, of East Moline, Ill., is combining her interest in microbiology with modern theories of evolution.

Darwin believed that species changed their inheritable characteristics because of the environment, and the new species, being adapted to this environment, survived.

Research has given much evidence that these variations depend directly on gene mutation—or a "biological mistake." What Miss Claeys hopes to demonstrate in her study is whether these mutations are caused by the environment, or whether they arise spontaneously. Miss Claeys hopes to distinguish this by observing the evolution of bacteria.

E. coli, a common intestinal bacterium, is readily destroyed by a certain bacterial virus or phage. In her research Miss Claeys has shown that if a number of the bacteria are placed with the phage, some will survive. In other words—the surviving bacteria are altered in some way, allowing one to observe evolution in progress.

Further experimentation shows that the changes occurred before they were brought into contact with the deadly phage, supporting the concept of spontaneous mutation.

One of the 1958 Nobel Prize winners, Joshua Lederberg, developed the laboratory procedure of replica plating used in Miss Claeys' project.



Inspired by Darwin,
senior biology project.

Donna Claeys, East Moline, Ill., is studying evolution in action as her

Clubs Close School Year Miss Berrie To Study With Eagle Point Picnics At Spanish University

Club picnic plans will materialize at Eagle Point park May 13.

The Press Club and the SISEA will combine efforts for their outing. President Marilyn Peters announces that the Social Science Club picnic will be held at the Point also.

Freshmen will fete their tuckpointers Tuesday, May 12, with a picnic supper at Eagle Point park.

Senior scientists were guests of fellow Science Forum members at an Eagle Point picnic May 6. General chairman was Judy Gavin.

Rosanne Berrie, Spanish major from Mason City, will spend her junior year studying at the University of Madrid in Spain.

Rosanne will leave New York City on Aug. 15 and traveling by ship will arrive in Spain eight days later.

Her first month in Spain will be spent in a preliminary study of the language. In October she will begin classes, in which all lectures and tests are given in Spanish. Her fifteen credit hours will include courses in Spanish language and literature, South American history, philosophy and logic.

Miss Berrie will live with a Spanish family or in a "residencia de estudiantes"—a student dormitory.

A thread painting of marine life, part of her senior thesis, will highlight Betty Donahue's senior art exhibit, May 17-23, in the concourse of Mary Josita hall.

A requirement for a bachelor of arts degree, the showing will include art work in various media, oils, sculpture, and pen and ink sketches, jewelry and a triptych.

Miss Donahue has attempted to capture the exacting technique of Byzantine icons in her triptych of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The folds of the clothing and the coloring were a basis for Miss Donahue's research.

Sculpture pieces will include a terra cotta Crucifixion Scene done in bas-relief, and a plaster model of Eve. Miss Donahue will also offer a crucifix rendered in silver and ebony and a plaque of St. Elizabeth of Hungary.

Her oil paintings will include a night scene of Emmetsburg, Iowa, Miss Donahue's home town. In this painting she employed a glazing technique attained by covering the painting with a thin solution of linseed oil and oil paint. In the Head of Christ, Miss Donahue has attempted a stained glass effect. In an autumn landscape she utilized the impressionistic technique, applying contrasting colors to give the illusion of a new color.

Another oil, a *trompe l'oeil*, is a realistic representation of a strip of canvas, weeds and masonite. A "Diary of Sketches," including drawings of her brothers and sisters, and home scenes, will comprise a portion of the pen and ink drawings in the exhibit.

Miss Donahue will utilize a theme of daisies and sea-green color in her invitations and decorations. A tea, May 17, from 1-2:30 p.m. will open the showing. Miss Donahue's sister, Therese, of Emmetsburg, will assist in serving the tea.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jay

NF Congress Lays Plans; Leaders Chosen for Year

A Loras and a Clarke student won key offices in the NFCCS for next year at the 11th regional congress, held on the Clarke campus April 25-26.

Regional president is Bob Valder of Loras college and regional vice-president in charge of commissions is Mary Alice Studebaker of Clarke.

Clarke also won three regional chairs. Jeanne Glenn will be chairman of the forensics commission, Mary Helen Sanders, of the literary commission, and Jean Ryan, of the science committee.

Mrs. Neil Beirschmidt, a graduate of Mount Mercy college, received the Pius X award for Lay Apostolate.

Guest speakers at the commission workshops included Sister Mary Marguerite Christine, BVM, science, Lieu-

tenant Governor McManus, international relations, and Father Rollins Lambert from the Archdiocese of Chicago, liturgy.

Other speakers for the congress were Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis Friedl of Loras college, Sister Mary Benedict, BVM, president of Clarke college, SLC President Jeanne Miclot and Clarke senior delegate Jean Ryan.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph Schieder, National Director of the Catholic Youth Dept., from Washington, D.C., addressed the students at a banquet held in his honor. Following the banquet national president Mike Phenner from the University of Notre Dame, spoke on the national scope of the federation. Approximately 300 people attended the congress, the first one held at Clarke in five years.

Next year St. Ambrose college of Davenport will host the Congress.

Faculty Members Receive Distinction

Efforts of three faculty members were rewarded recently by publication and awards.

In the 11th annual Iowa Artists Exhibition, Sister Mary James Ann, BVM, and Mr. Edmund Demers received cash awards for oil paintings.

The spring issue of the Catholic Alumnae Quarterly features "A Pair of Fresh White Gloves," by Sister Mary Madelena, BVM.

Presenting a point of view on public relations for the Catholic college alumna, Sister says:

To many Americans, Catholic education is an enigma, its purposes and processes are vastly misunderstood. Because of this misunderstanding, it does not receive the support it merits, sometimes even from Catholics. Alumnae can do much about this. By their lives—and by their words and influence—they can let the public know that the Catholic school is teaching its students to grow in wisdom—and in grace.

The Catholic Alumnae Quarterly is published by the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae.

As a part of Clarke's arts festival, the art department will present the annual clothesline show May 9 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the front campus of Eliza Kelly hall.

Chairmen for the event include Barbara Knapczyk, general chairman; Virginia Weldon, publicity; Joan Balsamo, treasurer; Sue Ryan, refreshments; Kathleen Farley, women's straw hats and purses; and Kitty Kaneyan, pencil portraits.

Special feature of this year's show will be a demonstration of oil portraits by Mrs. Mildred Schuh and Mrs. McCaughey.

Christina Chiu will also be available to write names in Chinese.

Items to be sold at the show will include paintings in watercolor and oil, Japanese slippers, umbrellas, hand-wrought jewelry, patio plants in redwood tubs, and hand screened greeting cards.

Date Data

Tonight, May 8	Senior Prom
Saturday, May 9	Clothesline Show
Saturday, May 16	Cement Mixer
Sunday, May 17	May Coronations
Tuesday, May 19	College Day
Friday, May 22	Next Courier

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and details of Byzantine icons were points Betty Donahue studied and employed in a triptych of the Blessed Virgin. This piece will appear in Miss Donahue's senior art exhibit May 17-23.



Sodality Will Vote On New Program

Clarke sodalists will vote on adopting a plan of reorganization at their next general meeting, May 11.

The new plan gives students an opportunity to do apostolic work in their particular field of interest. On this basis the sodality divided into three groups—the Marian committee, the apostolic action committee and the Christ-life committee.

Under the chairmanship of sophomore Mary Lou Norton, the purpose of the Marian committee is to foster a deeper devotion to Mary among the students.

Freshman Jean Luce heads the apostolic work among the Clarke students.

Shirley Johnsen, sophomore, is chairman of the Christ-life committee, designed to develop a deeper spirituality among its members.

The nomination committee of the sodality will present names of qualified students to fill the offices of vice-prefect, secretary and treasurer to assist next year's prefect, Joann Ganon. Jane Spellmire will present a program on "Mary and the Lay Apostolate." A social hour will follow the meeting.

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